The Pharmacy Council strictly adheres to the provisions of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 the Regulations made thereunder and the stipulated procedure for recognistion of the D. Pharma Course.

Funds to Karnataka for HIV/AIDS Control

2784. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has requested to sanction Rs. 20 crores to control HIV/AIDS through the National AIDS Control Organisation;

(b) if so, the amount sanctioned during 2002-03; and

(c) the amount proposed to be sanctioned during 2003-04 ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) In their action plans for the year 2002-03 and 2003-04, the Karnataka State AIDS Prevention Society proposed budgetary outlays of Rs. 2852.52 lakhs and Rs. 3167.79 lakhs respectively. Against these proposals, National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) approved the budgetary allocation of Rs. 1099.22 lakhs for the year 2002-03 and Rs. 1224.37 lakhs for the year 2003-04.

Alternative medical therapies

2785. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have banned Degrees/Diplomas on alternative medical therapies like Acupressure, Acupuncture, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of circulars and orders issued by Government;

(c) whether such orders were issued on the basis of Court's Orders; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) : (a) to (d) There is no provision for banning or otherwise, a system of medicine which is not recognised. A Standing